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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination and in response to the office action mailed January 2, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 8 as follows:

1. (Amended Twice) An immunogenic polypeptide, comprising a self IgE portion and a non-self IgE portion, wherein said immunogenic polypeptide is effective to induce an anti-self IgE response in a mammal, wherein said self IgE portion comprises at least a portion of a CH3 domain of IgE, and wherein said non-self IgE portion consists essentially of a CH2 domain of IgE and a CH4 domain of IgE.

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8. (Amended Once) The immunogenic polypeptide of claim 2, wherein said non-self IgE portion comprises an IgE sequence present in a non-placental mammal.

Please add new claims 25-54 as follows:

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